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RE: Application No.: 09/616,472
 Applicant: Durand, Whitney
 Filed: 7-14-2000
 Examiner: Frenel, Vanel
 Art Unit: 3626

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith the following:

1. Request for Continued Examination;
2. Preliminary Amendment;
3. Fee Transmittal; and
4. Request for Extension of Time.

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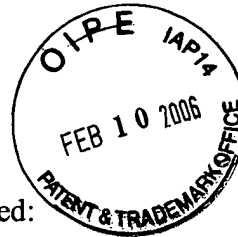
Sincerely,


Paul Sykes

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| 1. | Cover Letter (including this page) | <u>2</u> | pages |
| 2. | Request for Continued Examination | <u>1</u> | page |
| 3. | Preliminary Amendment | <u>15</u> | pages |
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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First Named Inventor	Durand, Whitney
Examiner Name	Frenel, Vanel
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

_____ - 20 or HP = _____ x _____ = _____

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